

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This preliminary amendment is being filed concurrently with the filing of a divisional application based on Application No. 10/190,388. Claims 1-10 and claim 20, which are being prosecuted in the parent application, are canceled by this preliminary amendment so that the non-elected claims from the parent application (claims 11-19), which claims were subsequently cancelled, can be prosecuted.

Applicants have also added new paragraphs [0013.1], [0013.2], and [0013.3]. Support for the addition of new paragraph [0013.1] may be found in claim 11. Support for the addition of new paragraph [0013.2] may be found in claim 14. Support for the addition of new paragraph [0013.3] may be found in claim 17. As support for these amendments may be found in claim 11, claim 14, or claim 20, Applicant submits that no new matter has been added as a result of this amendment to the specification.

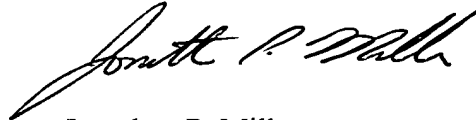
Applicants have also amended the abstract and title to represent the invention claimed by the divisional application. Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter is added by this preliminary amendment.

CONCLUSION

Please enter this amendment into the presently filed case. Applicants submit that the amended claims are allowable and requests allowance of claims 11-19.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1059.

Respectfully submitted,
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan P. Miller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jonathan" being more prominent than the last name "Miller".

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